Proceedings of the Assembly of Representative Raiyats and Merchants from all the Taluks of the State, held at Mysore in October 1894.

MEMORANDUM.

The fourteenth Assembly of Representative Raiyats and Merchants was held in the Darbar Hall of the Public Office Buildings at Mysore on Friday the 12th of October 1894 and the following six days.

2. The Assembly was constituted under the revised Rules of 10th June 1894, re-printed as an Appendix to this volume.

3. Statistics of elections held under these Rules are also appended, and of them, the following is an abstract:—

	Number of persons who were qualified to vote.	Number of persons who attended the election meetings.	Number of persons elected.
166 Taluks including Sub-Taluks	7,182	2,465	212
25 Municipal Boards each representing a population of 5,000 and above...	197	158	40
9 Local Fund Boards	86	69	17
7 Associations representing approved public interests ...	696	314	7
Total ...	8,161	3,006	276

The total number elected for the Assembly was thus 276. Of them, four represented nine constituencies, so that the actual number of Members was 271.

Of these—

7 were Europeans,
15 „ Muhammadans,
and 249 „ Hindus.

By occupation—

38 were Merchants,
5 „ Sahukars,
198 „ Landholders,
and 30 „ of other occupations.

Again, taken by constituencies—

122 were new members returned for the first time,
124 had attended once before,
and 30 had attended twice before. *

* Note—These figures include the five constituencies which returned a member each elected by other constituencies also.

4. On the opening day of the Assembly, 230 members were present. The names of those who were elected and of those who attended at Mysore on the first day, are given in the list appended to these Proceedings.

5. The Representatives assembled at noon on 12th October. Rajyadhurandhara Sir K. Sheshadri Iyer, K. C. S. I., Dewan, presided. Rajadharmapravina T. R. A. Thumboo Chettiyar, Rajamantrapravina The Hon'ble P. Chentsal Row Pantalu, C. I. E., Members of H. H. the Maharaja's Council, the Judges of the Chief Court, and other principal Officers of the State were present. H. E. Lieut.-General (the Hon'ble) Charles Mansfield Clarke, C. B., Commander-in-Chief of Madras, Col. P. D. Henderson, C. S. I., Resident, and other European and Native guests of H. H. the Maharaja were also present.

6. The Dewan read his address which was heard with much interest and attention. Various parts of it and particularly the allusion to the Infant Marriage Prohibition Regulation, were received with manifestations of cordial approval. At its conclusion, Mr. Graham Anderson, C. I. E., (deputed by the South Mysore European Planters' Association) spoke on behalf of the English speaking Members of the Assembly a few words, expressive of their profound loyalty and devotion to H. H. the Maharaja's throne and person, and congratulating the Government on the success which had attended its administration.

7. The Kanarese translation of the Address was next read by Mr. M. Narain Rao, Under-Secretary to the Dewan. At its conclusion, Messrs. Amble Annaiya Pandit and Hosur Nanjunda Rao, Representatives from Mysore and Davangere respectively, on behalf of the Kanarese speaking Representatives and later on Mr. Subbaiya (Representative Member from the South Mysore Native Planters' Association) spoke a few words of felicitation. These addresses are appended. Then, Mr. Anandalwar (Representative from Mandya Taluk) read an address in Sanskrit, and Mr. Hafizullakhan (Representative Member from Bangalore City Municipality) read an address in Hindustani.

8. The Assembly continued to meet every morning from the 13th to the 18th October, both days inclusive, with afternoon sittings on the 15th, 16th and 18th.

9. The discussions began with representations, which Messrs. Graham Anderson and Clifford had to make on behalf of the Planters' Associations of Manjarabad and Kadur, and Mr. Hancock, on behalf of the Gold Mining Board in the Kolar District. Subjects of general interest were next discussed, followed by other subjects, District by District, the more distant having precedence over the nearer Districts. The Assembly rose at 7-30. P. M. on 18th October.

10. Annexed are the Dewan's Address and Appendices and summary of other speeches and discussions.

By Order,
T. ANANDA ROW,
Chief Secretary.